(b) and (c) Construction of these projects is being progressed consistent with the availability of resources.

Meerut City Railway Station

242. SHRI SHANTI TYAGI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have planned expansion and modernisation of the Meerut city railway station;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard and by when this project is likely to be completed; and

(c) whether Government also propose to start electrification of railway track between Meerut and Delhi?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The work is in progress and is planned to be completed by March, 1990 subject to availability of funds. The main features of this scheme are given in the enclosed statement. (*See below*)

(c) Delhi-Ghaziabad section is already electrified. There is at present no proposal to take up electrification of Ghaziabad-Meerut section in the VII Five Year Plan.

Statement

Main Features of the Model Station Scheme at Meerut City

1. Remodelling of and additions to the station building.

2. Improvement of circulating area.

3. Provision of additional foot over-bridge.

4. Extension of platforms 1, 2 and 3.

5. Extension of platform shelters.

6. Improvements to platform surfaces.

Lack of diagnostic and therapeutic facilities in rural areas

243. SHRI DINKARRAO GOVINDRAO PATIL: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that diagnostic and therapeutic facilities are lacking in rural areas; and

(b) if so, the steps Government propose to take to provide these facilities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) and (b) Health institutions and facilities in rural areas are set up under the State Plan sector and it has been recommended to the State Governments that the community health centres and primary health centres should have basic diagnostic facilities. The norms for supply of drugs vary from State to State. The Central Government provides drugs and medicines worth about Rs. 2,000/- per annum to each sub-centre established during the Sixth Plan and later years. Funds for buying basic laboratory equipment for use at sub-centres are also provided by the Central Government. Steps are also being taken to establish and augment the laboratory facilities at all Primary Health Centres in the rural areas by providing training to laboratory technicians under 100 per cent Centrally-sponsored schemes and also by providing laboratory equipments as one-time grant and making a provision of recurring grant towards reagents and glassware. In addition, under the Nationol Health Programmes like Eradication of Malaria and Leprosy, Control of Tuberculosis, Blindness, MCH Programme and Vaccine Preventable diseases, drugs and vaccines are provided by the Central Government.